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Commissioner for Patents**ACKNOWLEDGMENT of REPLY BRIEF**

The Reply Brief filed on June 7, 2004 has been entered, considered and forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the Appeal. However, the Amendment to the Claims, which was also filed on June 7, 2004, has NOT and will NOT be entered due to the fact that it changes the scope of the claims and it is not readily ascertainable, without further search and or consideration, whether such Amendment would place the instant application in condition for allowance. (See 37 CFR 1.116).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dionne A. Walls whose telephone number is (571) 272-1195. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri, 7AM - 4:30PM (Every other Friday off).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Steven P. Griffin can be reached on (571) 272-1189. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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